

MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

LITERACY & NUMERACY

This week in Content Knowledge we have begun a new unit named Australia Rules! We have already explored our local government and their responsibilities - many Middle School students found the role of the local council very interesting!

In Text Construction students have completed a persuasive writing piece that argued that community is/is not important. It was wonderful to read about the many communities our students belong to.

In Numeracy we are learning to recognise, represent, and order numbers. Students have begun to use tenths and hundredths when using place value.

SKILL IN FOCUS: VOCABULARY

During our Literacy block students learn new vocabulary that is relevant to the Content Knowledge topic. They learn the etymology of the word, its definition and use in a sentence. Students are often asked to define the word "in their own words" to ensure they understand it. Students are then supported to use the new vocabulary in their writing during Text Construction.

Vocab Word: municipalities



Etymology:

Origin	
FRENCH	FRENCH
municipal	municipal
ENGLISH	municipality
municipal	late 18th century

Definition: Areas that are governed by local government, such as cities or towns.

In a sentence: There are many municipalities in our state, each with its own local government.

UPCOMING LEARNING

We will be continuing our learning about government, its role and responsibilities and how to contribute to our community.

We will continue to explore natural numbers and decimals.

We will continue our learning about the Zones of Regulation.

Reminders

Please ensure your child is charging their iPad at home each night and returning it to school in the morning.